

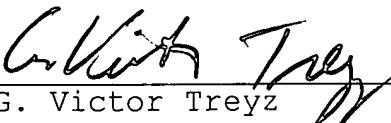
sheets of formal drawings, incorporating the aforementioned amendment, to be substituted for the thirty-nine (39) sheets of informal drawings filed with the application.

REMARKS

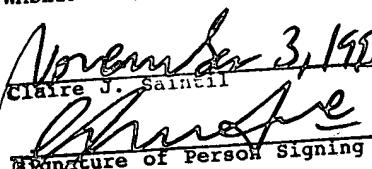
Applicants have proposed amending FIG. 8b to correct the mislabeling of the highlight region. The highlight region should have been labeled with reference numeral 151 as described in applicants' specification at p. 26, line 26. No new matter is being added to this patent application.

In view of the foregoing, this application is in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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